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### Transactions Board of County Commissioners

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and DeSoto counties received and upon investigation, it was found that this road was granted at the October meeting, 1913.

Moved by Mr. Whitten, seconded by Mr. Skipper, that all warrants for costs, including advertisements and legal notices of drainage proceedings, be drawn payable only from funds to be derived from sale of the bonds of the district unless the petitioners shall file a sufficient bond to reimburse the general fund for such expense, in the event bonds of the proposed district, fail to find a purchaser.

Road petition of Glenn Smith and others, was presented to the board and road was granted as asked for.

The board entered into a con-

tract with the Alabama Paving Company for the construction of roads 11-12-13-14 of the special road and bridge district No. 1.

Road petition of L. L. Morgan, L. L. Cato and others was presented to the board; road was granted as asked for.

Road petition of C. L. Keen, D. W. Mizell and others was presented to the board; road was granted as asked for. Petition from citizens asking for the grading and putting in first class condition is received. Commissioner Hagan advises that said road will be improved as soon as practical.

It was moved and carried that the plans, profiles and specifications of the Fort Ogden drainage district together with the purporting assessment of benefits to lands supposed to be affected by the work, be referred back to the committee with the suggestion that in the opinion of the board said assessment is premature and void, for the reason that the cost of the work had not been ascertained before said purported assessment was made, and with the further suggestion that the greater part of the work west of the C. H. & N. R. R. should be eliminated, and that the clerk be directed to notify B. G. Letzering, clerk of said committee to report the action of said committee at the September term of this Board.

It was moved and carried that the acceptance of road petition asked for by T. E. Blackburn and sixteen others be deferred until such time as county funds will permit the opening and grading of said road.

Justice of the peace bond of J. B. O'Rear approved.

Notary bonds of J. P. Wentworth and C. P. Hartsfield approved.

Clerk instructed to make application to the state board of institutions for the lease of forty state convicts of the third class to be worked on the public roads of DeSoto county.

It having been called to the attention of the board that F. B. White has so conducted himself as to forfeit his right to retain his fire arms permit; the said permit of F. B. White was revoked.

It was moved and carried that the correspondence of Col. C. C. Morgan, together with cost bills, be forwarded to the governor for his consideration.

The Arcadia Groves Co. was allowed a reduction on east half of southwest quarter of section 17, township 37 south, range 25 east, from \$1,000 to \$320, on account of erroneous assessment; provided the said company file with the tax collector an affidavit that there are no improvements on said land.

A petition from the parties who state that they own the majority of the acres of land assessed and embraced in the Murdock drainage district, in DeSoto county, Florida, was presented, wherein it was proved that drainage bonds bearing 6 per cent interest and maturing at such date as the county commissioners might determine, in the sum of \$100,000.00

### The Week in History

Monday, August 9.—Washington makes treaty defining the boundaries of the United States and the British possession, 1842.

Tuesday, August 10.—Battle of Wilson's creek, 1861.

Wednesday, August 11.—Treaty of Prussia and France for neutrality of Belgium, 1870.

Thursday, August 12.—E. M. Stanton, secretary of war under President Johnson asked to resign; refuses, but is suspended and succeeded by General Grant 1866.

Friday, August 13.—Prince of Wales visits United States squadron at South Hampton, England, 1872.

Saturday, August 14.—Meeting in Philadelphia to establish National Union and restore South to its place in the Union, 1866.

Sunday, August 15.—Garibaldi, Italian general, retires to private life, 1866.

### GIRLS RAISE PEPPERS

Interesting Work Done by Club Members

Some 2,000 packets of Spanish pepper seed were distributed early in the spring in the States of North and South Carolina, Louisiana, Texas, Georgia, and Florida by the department's specialists in charge of club work in the South, in cooperation with the State colleges of agriculture. The girls who received these seeds were chosen by the district and county agents because of their efficiency in previous club work. They agreed to plant no other peppers and to follow the instructions of the agents, not only in growing and canning the peppers, but in saving the seed. Spanish peppers are highly prized by the girls, and as the peppers are easily cross-pollinated, every precaution will be taken to keep the peppers true to variety, and to distribute wide-

ly the seed saved. The packet contained enough seed to plant possibly one-twentieth of an acre. Some of the girls report having obtained as high as 80 excellent plants, which, because of their heavy yielding qualities, will probably furnish all of the peppers the girls will want to handle. The specialists believe about 1,500 girls in these states are now growing peppers and that the yield will be between 50,000 and 100,000 cans this year.

The department has recently issued a bulletin on peppers, which is intended primarily for canning-club girls who are making demonstrations with Spanish peppers. It is of interest also to those who wish recipes for peppers.—U. S. Department of Agriculture Weekly News Letter.

### To Christain Endeavorers

Since our State Convention in April where I was elected Secretary of the State Union, I have been trying to get in touch with all Endeavorers and others who are interested in our work. I shall be very glad to give any information or render any service possible. If there is no society in your town or church, I shall appreciate the opportunity of helping you to organize one, and I stand ready to help, in any way, societies now existing. I will greatly appreciate your hearty cooperation. Please write me of the work in your section, giving names of societies; those to address where societies may be organized and all information which may be helpful. I wish to get acquainted with all of our workers though they may not be connected with a society at present. Please address, Ruth Coffin, State Secretary Florida Christain Endeavor Union Johnstown, Florida.

### Pineapple Jelly

Owing to the absence of Peetene, the principle that makes other fruits jelly, one cannot make a jelly from pineapples and the nearest thing to it is made as follows: Peel and grate fine; allow 1 pound of sugar to a pound of the fruit and let stand over night. Cook half an hour and run through a sieve. Return to a preserving kettle and simmer, stirring almost constantly for half an hour or more until the result is a clear amber-colored paste that will be firm when cool. Pack in small glasses.

(Note—As pineapple is a digester nearly equal to pepsin, never add the fresh pine or its juice to jellatin, as it will fail to harden. Cooking destroys the digestive principle largely.)

### Weekly Weather Forecast

Issued by the U. S. Weather Bureau, Washington, D. C., for the week beginning Wednesday, August 11, 1915.

### SPECIAL NOTICE

There is a tropical disturbance over the southern Windward Island section and weather for the territory east of the Mississippi River for the coming week is largely dependent upon the movement of this disturbance. At present indications are as follows: For South Atlantic and East Gulf States:

Thundershowers for several days, followed by fair weather the remainder of the week; seasonable temperatures.

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be issued, under chapter 7000 of the laws of 1915, and that said bonds be sold for the purpose mentioned in chapter 7000 of the Laws of 1915, and that a tax be levied for such amount as may be necessary for the payment of interest of said bonds, and providing for a sinking fund for the payment thereof.

And the board, upon consideration of said petition, and upon examination of the same and the records of DeSoto county, Florida, found that the same was and is signed by those owning the majority of the acres of the lands assessed and embraced in said Murdock drainage district.

And the board upon further investigation, finds that it will take approximately \$100,000.00 to pay off all outstanding indebtedness of said Murdock drainage district, and the petition praying that said board issue bonds in the amount of \$100,000.00, thereupon upon motion of John Hagan, said petition was directed to be accepted and filed, and recorded in the minutes of the board.

Resolution was offered by John Hagan providing that in pursuance of the petition of those owning the majority of the acres of land assessed and embraced in the Murdock drainage district in DeSoto county, Florida, prepared signed and presented and in pursuance of chapter 7000 of the Laws of 1915, that there be issued by DeSoto county Florida, bonds in the sum of \$100,000.00 said bonds to be known as Murdock drainage bonds, to be in the sum of \$1,000.00 each, and dated the 1st day of September, A. D., 1915, and drawing interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from date until paid, said interest payable semi-annually upon the first day of March and first day of September,

each year, said bonds to have attached thereto interest bearing coupons.

The clerk of the board, A. L. Durrance, was directed to immediately cause to be prepared, bonds of the Murdock drainage district, in the amount and of the denomination as provided for in resolution adopted, and bearing date and maturing, and drawing interest, as in and by said resolution provided for, said bonds to have attached thereto interest bearing coupons, and to otherwise conform with the laws of Florida in reference thereto. Said clerk in preparing said bonds and having same printed to consult with the county attorney.

The county attorney was instructed to immediately prepare a notice notifying the public that the board of county commissioners on the sixth day of September, A. D., 1915, will consider bids for the purchase of the Murdock drainage district bonds, said notice to be signed by A. L. Durrance, clerk of the court.

The clerk was ordered to re-advertise for the sale of special road and bridge district No. 5, said and bridge district No. 5 bonds, said bids to be received until 2 o'clock p. m., Wednesday September 8th, 1915.

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